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HEPATOCYTE PRECURSORS

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## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 19, 2005, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant has enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Formalities: Please change the attorney docket number to 069952-0119

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows:

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